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**TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP  
of the  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS'**

**November 28, 2006  
Minutes**

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**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP. AN AUDIOCASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.**

The Transportation Conformity Working Group held its meeting at the SCAG office in Los Angeles.

**In Attendance:**

Naresh Amatya	SCAG
John Asuncion	SCAG
Jennifer Bergener	OCTA
Keith Cooper	Jones & Stokes
Sheryll Del Rosario	SCAG
Lori Huddleston	LA MTA
Jessica Kirchner	SCAG
Margery Lazarus	City of Moreno Valley
Ken Lobeck	RCTC
Betty Mann	SCAG
Maria Martin	City of L.A. PWD
Jonathan Nadler	SCAG
Sylvia Patsaouras	SCAG
Dan Phu	Parsons
Lisa Poe	SANBAG
Eyvonne Sells	AQMD
Arnie Sherwood	ITS Berkley/SCAG
Jay Shih	CRA/LA
Carla Walecka	Transportation Corridor Agencies

**Via Teleconference:**

Mike Brady	Caltrans Headquarters
Ben Cacatian	Ventura County APCD
Paul Fagan	Caltrans District 8
Tony Louka	Caltrans District 8
Jean Mazur	FHA
Dennis Wade	CARB
Andrew Yoon	Caltrans District 7

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**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

The Honorable Jennifer Bergener, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

**2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no public comments.

**3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**

**3.1 Approval Item**

**5.1.1 Approve October 24, 2006 Meeting Minutes**

MOTION was made to APPROVE the minutes. MOTION SECONDED and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

**4.0 INFORMATION ITEMS**

**4.1 RTIP Update**

John Asuncion, SCAG, stated that the RTIP was approved by the Federal Agencies earlier in October. SCAG also received approval for the conformity determination for the RTIP, as well. The County Commissions are currently working on their amendment for the 2006 RTIP which will be forwarded to SCAG staff on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**4.2 RTP Update**

Naresh Amatya, SCAG, provided an update of the Administrative Modification. The purpose of the Administrative Modification is to identify and describe areas where the current RTP (and ancillary documents including the PEIR) either meets or exceeds the SAFETEA-LU requirements and areas where the current RTP is being supplemented to meet the requirements. The Administrative Modification intends to bring the 2004 RTP into compliance with the planning requirements of SAFETEA-LU, which was enacted subsequent to SCAG's adoption of the 2004 RTP. SAFETEA-LU extends the RTP update cycle from three to four

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years for metropolitan planning areas that are designated as nonattainment or maintenance.

4.3 Review of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Forms

The TCWG considered eight interagency review forms to determine whether the projects were of air quality concern and required a qualitative PM Hot Spot analysis. The review concluded the following:

ORA000195: PM 2.5 analysis not applicable for this project change  
RIV000103: Not a POAQC – hot spot analysis not required  
LA996415: Not a POAQC – hot spot analysis not required  
LA996134: Not a POAQC – hot spot analysis not required  
LAE2198: Not a POAQC – hot spot analysis not required  
SBD20018: Not a POAQC – hot spot analysis not required  
SBD44810: Not a POAQC – hot spot analysis not required  
RIV011211: Not a POAQC – pending further discussion with FTA

4.4 Review of Qualitative PM Hot Spot Analysis

No review provided this month.

4.4 PM Hot Spot Process

TCWG members continued discussion on how to improve the PM hot spot interagency review process. This will be an on-going discussion item as needed.

4.6 TCM Update

Tony Louka, Caltrans, provided an update of the SR-60 HOV Lane Replacement Project. Caltrans is proposing to convert an existing full time HOV lane to a part time lane in both directions on an eight mile segment of the SR-60. Replacement of the full time SR-60 HOV lane TCM with the part time SR-60 HOV lane TCM must follow the substitution process specified in the CAA section 176(c) as amended by SAFETEA-LU. The TCWG recommended that the project be further discussed by the TCWG Subgroup prior to final determination.

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4.7     AQMP Update

Joe Cassmassi, AQMD, provided a presentation on the Draft 2007 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) for the South Coast Air Basin, including a summary of baseline and future year emission inventories and the preliminary control strategy. The focus of the 2007 AQMP for the South Coast is on the PM 2.5 and the eight-hour ozone standards. The deadline for submitting the State Implementation Plan (SIP) plan for the eight-hour ozone standard to U.S. EPA is June of 2007. While the PM2.5 SIP is due to U.S. EPA in April 2008, the PM2.5 SIP is being prepared on the same time schedule as the ozone SIP, and will be included as part of the June 2007 submittal. The Draft AQMP was released for public review in October 2006. Currently, the AQMD is undergoing a series of public outreach efforts at various locations throughout the region.

**5.0     CHAIR'S REPORT**

No new items to report.

**6.0     INFORMATION SHARING**

Mike Brady, Caltrans Headquarters, announced that the Statewide Conformity Working Group Teleconference would be taking place on December 6 at the Metropolitan Transportation Commission in Oakland. There were also additional teleconference sites, including SCAG.

**7.0     ADJOURNMENT**

The Honorable Jennifer Bergener, adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

**The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 30, 2007 at the SCAG office in downtown Los Angeles.**